


Memorandum

Date: June 17, 2010

To: John Kovash, Mayor
West Linn City Council

From: Kirsten Wyatt, Assistant City Manager 

Cc: Chris Jordan, City Manager

Subject: Miscellaneous Items

Below please find a brief update on some items for your information and in advance of your Monday, April 1, 2013 work session.

Schedule

On Monday, April 1, 2013, we will have a joint work session with the Planning Commission/Commission for Citizen Involvement to discuss the Council's goals for economic development; and the process and schedule that staff intends to follow in our effort to solicit public input on possible Community Development Code Amendments. Please note that we will have an executive session on Monday, beginning at 5:30 p.m. Your Monday, April 8, 2013 council meeting agenda includes the nuisance ordinance; the library passport program resolution; and the Metro construction excise tax planning grant. Brief presentations from the Youth Music Project and Tree City USA volunteers are also planned.

- Attachment: April 1 Agenda
- Attachment: April 8 Agenda

Citizen Recognition Program Concept

Staff is creating an internal employee recognition program to highlight excellent staff work. We thought the Council may be interested in creating a similar program to highlight the "unsung citizen heroes" in our community. Awarded annually, a Council-led citizen recognition program could honor one or more individuals who contribute to the quality of life in West Linn without reward or recognition. A draft version of an award program is attached for your review, and this draft program will be presented for your discussion on Monday evening.

- Attachment: Draft Award Program Information

Willamette Falls Legacy Project Funding Support Letter

House Bill 5034 allocates \$5 million for the Willamette Falls Legacy Project (the former Blue Heron site on the Oregon City side of the Willamette). Staff believes there are significant tourism and economic benefits from this project, and has drafted a letter of support for this funding allocation from the mayor to the key members of the Legislative Ways & Means Committee. Pending your agreement and discussion on Monday evening, a draft of this letter could be sent to Salem.

- Attachment: Draft Letter of Support

Community Grant Requests

As in prior years, staff solicited grant applications from the community for a very limited amount of “community grant funds” that could be included in the Proposed Budget. The deadline for grant applications has passed, and we have received 13 requests totaling \$26,285 in funding. The attached spreadsheet shows grant request detail. Of the 13 requests, 12 of the organizations are repeating requestors from prior years. Chief Financial Officer Richard Seals has asked the Citizens’ Budget Committee for their guidance on their preferred approach to reviewing these grant applications. It is anticipated that the Citizens’ Budget Committee will review these applications in advance of your budget meetings in early May, and will make a recommendation for funding. Staff wanted you to be aware of the organizations requesting funds, and that the citizen members of the Budget Committee will be reviewing the applications and making a recommendation to you.

- Attachment: Grant Request Spreadsheet

Transportation Advisory Board & Parks and Recreation Advisory Board “Book Club”

In an effort to provide a unique and interesting perspective to the Transportation Advisory Board and Parks & Recreation Advisory Board and their upcoming work on the Council goal related to the Trails Master Plan, we are planning on having them read the book “Walkable City” by Jeff Speck as small groups, and then discuss it, book-club style, at their respective upcoming meetings before they begin the work outlined in your Council goal. We will make copies of this book available at the West Linn Library for other community members to participate if they are interested. And, we will also give copies to our local newspaper reporters so they can participate. Please let us know if you are interested in reading the book as well. One review of “Walkable City” states, “...companionable and disarmingly candid, Jeff Speck perches on your shoulder and gets you to see your community with fresh eyes.” Staff is not advocating for any of the concepts in the book specifically, but is interested to see if taking a “fresh eyes” approach is useful to our board members as they begin their work on your Council goal.

Thank you.



The Robert Moore Award was created by the West Linn City Council in 2013 to recognize individuals who contribute to the quality of life in our community without reward or recognition. Named after the founder of West Linn, Robert Moore, the award commemorates Moore's selfless decision to name the town he founded after his friend and mentor, Dr. Lewis Linn. Because of people like Robert Moore and the recipients of the Robert Moore Award, West Linn is the wonderful community it is today.

Nominate Someone for a Moore Award

If you know someone who spends his or her free time volunteering, taking time to help their neighbors, trying to make a difference in the lives of those around them, or sharing acts of kindness with others, submit his or her name for nomination. Please visit <http://WestLinnOregon.gov/RobertMoore> or call the City of West Linn at 503-657-0331 for more information.

Nomination Process & Deadline

Nominations for the 2013 awards are due on Friday, November 1, 2013. A citizen review panel will review the nominations and forward a select few to the City Council. Moore Award Winners will be announced and honored at the December 9, 2013 City Council meeting at 6:00 p.m.

Citizen Review Panel

A panel of six citizens, selected by the City Council and City Manager, will comprise the citizen review panel. This panel will include individuals who are or have been actively involved in the community, including past recipients of the award, past committee members, citizens serving on Citizen Advisory Boards, or other West Linn neighbors. All nominations will be reviewed by the citizen review panel. The citizen review panel will determine which nominations to forward to the City Council, which will select the Moore Award Winners. There may be one or more winners each year.

Process

1. Complete the attached Robert Moore Award form or complete it online at <http://WestLinnOregon.gov/RobertMooreApplication>.
2. Submit it online, via email to kwyatt@westlinnoregon.gov, or mail it to City Hall.
3. Confirmation of nomination receipt will be sent to you.
4. The review process will begin on November 4, 2013.
5. Award winners will be announced on December 9, 2013.

Thank you!

On behalf of the West Linn City Council and the community, thank you to all of our Moore Award nominees – you make West Linn a place that 'Moore' people love, every day. Selfless service to the community was embodied by Robert Moore – and also by our nominees for this award.

Nominate Someone for a Robert Moore Award

The West Linn City Council is looking for the Moore Award winners for 2013. Our community is filled with people who voluntarily contribute to making our community a better place to live. We would like to recognize these special citizens.

Do you know someone who takes the time to help neighbors, who tries to make a difference in their lives, who has shared acts of kindness with others?

The qualifications are that the person:

- Is not paid for the contribution;
- Has not been widely recognized for the service;
- Is neither an elected or appointed official, nor is employed by the City;
- Performs the efforts within the city or the greater West Linn region.

The deadline for submissions of nominations is Friday, November 1, 2013. Awards will be presented at the December 9, 2013 City Council meeting and special reception.

Please visit <http://WestLinnOregon.gov/RobertMoore> for more information.

Please fill out the following form online, via email to kwyatt@westlinnoregon.gov, or mail it to City Hall, 22500 Salamo Road, West Linn, 97068.

- Name of person nominated: _____
- Their Address: _____
- Their Phone: _____
- Their Email Address: _____
- Your Name: _____
- Your Address: _____
- Your Phone: _____
- Your Email Address: _____
- Length of time the nominee has provided this service, if known: _____
- Statement of qualifications (please use back of form to continue): _____



CITY OF West Linn

April 2, 2013

Senator Richard Devlin, Co-chair, Joint Ways & Means Committee
Representative Peter Buckley, Co-chair, Joint Ways & Means Committee
Senator Chris Edwards, Co-chair, Ways & Means Subcommittee on Natural Resources
Representative Ben Unger, Co-chair, Ways & Means Subcommittee on Natural Resources

Dear Sirs:

The West Linn City Council enthusiastically supports the proposed \$5 million budget allocation in House Bill 5034 for the Willamette Falls Legacy Project. We have an opportunity to create one of Oregon's preeminent cultural destinations at this 23-acre site along the Willamette River in Oregon City and across from West Linn. In addition to driving economic development, transforming this site would engage Oregonians in the area's spectacular history and natural beauty. We anticipate a significant, positive benefit to our community resulting from increased tourism which would have a positive economic impact on West Linn.

Project partners have identified cultural interpretation as one of four key values for the project. An estimated 660,000 visitors would come to Willamette Falls every year, learning about the rich history of this region. Much like Celilo Falls in the Columbia River Gorge, Willamette Falls served as an important cultural site for native tribes. The falls also tell the story of the area's first industrial development. And, this part of Oregon is truly the birthplace of our great state, with Oregon City becoming the first incorporated city west of the Rocky Mountains in 1844.

Thank you for supporting this project with the proposed \$5 million investment from the State of Oregon. We look forward to working with project partners to ensure that the Willamette Falls Legacy Project is a success for West Linn, Clackamas County, the greater Portland metropolitan area, the State of Oregon – and all Oregonians. Please contact me if West Linn staff can provide additional information about how this project would enhance tourism and drive economic development in West Linn.

Sincerely,

John Kovash
Mayor

cc: Representative Julie Parrish

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City of West Linn*Community Grant Requests for the first fiscal year (FY 2014) of the 2014-2015 Biennial Budget*

COMMUNITY GRANT REQUESTS		FY 2014 REQUESTED AMOUNT	RECOMMENDED BY CITIZEN MEMBERS OF CITIZENS' BUDGET COMMITTEE	ADOPTED BY THE WEST LINN CITY COUNCIL
		Requested	Recommended	Adopted
1	AWOL Dance Collective	\$ 3,500	\$ -	\$ -
2	West Linn Community Chorus	2,900	-	-
3	West Linn Lions Club Foundation	1,435	-	-
4	West Linn Community Task Force	1,800	-	-
5	Friends of Maddax Woods	2,000	-	-
6	Friends of the Robinwood Station	2,400	-	-
7	Willamette Falls Heritage Foundation	1,000	-	-
8	Willamette Living History Committee	1,500	-	-
9	Clackamas Women's Services	3,000	-	-
10	Happy Trails Riding Center	1,500	-	-
11	July 4th Fireworks Event	2,000	-	-
12	MOMS Club of West Linn	2,500	-	-
13	NEW: Sachi Wellness Center	750	-	-
Requested in prior years, but not requesting this fiscal year:				
1	West Linn Arts Festival	No response received		
2	Arts Festival in the Forest	No response received		
3	Friends of McLean House	Received response that they won't request this year, but next		
4	Citizens for WL Aquatic Center	No response received		
5	789Jam on the Hill	No response received		
6	Big Brothers Big Sisters	No response received		
7	Columbia Chapter of US Army	No response received		
8	Historic Willamette Main Street program	No response received		
9	St Vincent de Paul	No response received		
10	Meridian Park Medical Foundation	No response received		
11	Willamette Christian Church	No response received		
12	West Linn Planning Committee	No response received		
13	West Linn Chamber of Commerce	No response received		
14	West Linn Food Pantry	No response received		
Total		\$ 26,285	\$ -	\$ -